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Central Trading Industry "Motozbyt" (CHPM)

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The CHPM is ~~an independent~~ national automotive enterprise located in Warsaw (No. 13 Mazowiecka St.) Engineer Masztakowski is the chief ~~tax~~ director. There is a district agency in every city of the province with a director at its head. The following divisions are responsible to each director:

a) The Wholesale division<sup>WHOLESALE</sup>, with a chief in charge, wholesales tires, bicycles and motorcycles: (Baltyk-Junak and S.H.L. 125<sup>ccm</sup> <sup>displacement</sup>) besides the parts of automobiles, motorcycles and bicycles.

It services the whole province. Fifty persons are employed by this organization. Twenty per cent are handlers, dispatch clerks and warehouse help. The rest work in the office.

b) The Area Retail Selling Office (TBSD)<sup>RETAILER</sup>, with a chief in charge is engaged in selling the above named products to the following individual customers: The State Farm Husbandry<sup>↑</sup> (PGR), The Farmers' Self-aid, The Cooperatives and other organizations that require a large fleet of automobiles. Each province has one TBSD. Twenty persons are employed by the TBSD.

<sup>THERE IS ONE SOS IN EACH PROVINCE.</sup>  
c) The Automobile Service Station (SOS), with a chief in charge, ~~the~~ automotive ~~handl~~ is concerned with/ extensive/ overhaul (second ~~echelon~~ echelon) With the exception of the UB and the Emergence Ambulance service, ~~one of these overhauls normally requires~~ ~~the~~ customers usually wait ~~it xxxxxxxx~~ from two to three months ~~waiting period~~ ~~with the exception~~ for this overhaul.

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The UB has its own workshop ~~in every~~ at their province headquarters,  
and  
~~The UB~~ does a part of its ~~own~~ repair work ~~in its own workshop there/~~

*Every*  
~~Each~~ SOS employees approximately 200 persons twenty per cent of  
employed as  
whom work in the office and ten per cent are ~~industrial~~ guards.

(run by 2 managers)  
d) There are three stores/in the province including one in the  
city of Stetin. They sell those things that are not strictly  
regulated; in other words those things ~~that~~ which do not require  
a formal request in advance and a stamped approval by the TBSD~~xx~~  
and Wholesale division. Private individuals may purchase in these  
stores. They employ from 7 to 10 persons which include the manager,  
handlers, warehouse help and cashier.

e) The Office of Reconditioned Automobiles (BSR) ~~has~~ ~~in~~ has  
one location in each province. ~~xx~~ Theoretically, the BSR is  
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responsible to the director of the/district agency; however,  
chief directorate  
actually, the BSR has its own/directorate in Warsaw on 10 Sienkiewicz St.  
which cooperates closely with the Chief Directorate of the ~~Transportation~~  
*Transportation Vehicle Garage (Zst)*

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The BSR buys automobile wrecks and automobiles in need of major overhaul. When a customer turns in an automobile, he receives a receipt which allows him to purchase a reconditioned automobile of the same make and tonnage. The price for a reconditioned automobile is approximately 40,000 Zloty varying with the tires, equipment and etc. The turned in automobile is evaluated, and after approx. th ree months, the cus5omer receives payment for it; that is, if the ZST agrees with the evaluation. The average customer usually receives a reconditioned automobile about three months after turn-<sup>some</sup>ing in his other one. However, on/occassions a new automobile is received the same day.

The Transportation Vehicle Garage(ZST) is engaged in major automotive overhaul. It servides various makes of automobiles including: GMC, Studebaker, Ford6 Ford Canada, Willys, Fordson, Bedford, Dodge, Renault ~~and~~ Zis, and Gaz. The Chief Directorate of the ZST is in Warsaw. Under its jurisdiction are shops spread all over Poland which specialize in certain makes. For example, ~~the~~ different ~~following~~ makes are repaired in the following locations:

Aleksandrowo Kujawskie - Studebaker; in the vicinity of Lowicz - GMC and Willys; Kielce - Ford, Kalisz and Dodge; Warsaw and Lublin - Zis, Gaz, Hadow and Renaultx.

The ZST is trying to reproduce parts for the American automobiles acquired through the UNRRA. However, there has been little success so far, and therefore American automobiles, once the transportation mainstay for business and management, are gradually disappearing. For example, bearings for the GMCs which were ~~made from Soviet~~ made through Soviet technical assistance last only for about two months. The lack of original roller bea/rings is showing its effect. The bearrings used in the Czechoslovakian private auto-  
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the Skoda Tudor and Sedan, are produced in Sweden by the SKF~~xx~~. They are shipped to Poland through Czechoslovakia. At the present time, the ZST <sup>OVCA 440LS</sup> turns ~~completes~~ and reissues about 50% of all the cars it receives for repair.

New types of vehicles appearing in Poland are:

Skoda Tudor - It is a private automobile; of light weight and poorly balanced. It runs approximately 30 miles on a gallon of gasoline.

Skoda Sedan - same as above.

Skoda Diesel - ~~xx~~ 7.5 tons; runs on diesel oil; More of these are appearing every day.

Prago Diesel - 3.5 tons; runs on diesel oil; appearing in larger numbers.

Motorcycles

Jawa motorcycle - 250 ccm and 350 ccm displacement; The MO and UB have priority to these motorcycles; A small number are privately owned.

Skoda autobus (P.K.S.) Star 20, 3.5 tons, is produced in Starachowice.

Models 500 to 1500 contained many flaws, but these have been corrected and the late models are reliable. This bus can be used for light transport in the city and over good country roads. However, the performance is poor in hilly country and it falls apart rapidly on rough roads.

Gaz 150 (Molotow) 3 tons, operates on gasoline. It is a ~~standard~~ Polish army vehicle. It compares poorly with the Ford 6. It breaks down frequently because of cheap materials and poor construction.

Gaz 50 (Molotow) <sup>has</sup> replaced the Willys in the Polish army. It has four drives in addition to an overdrive. The wheels are 20cm further apart than ~~the~~ on the Willys. In general, it is ~~poorly~~ poorly constructed and compares unfavorably with the Willys.

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are now arriving in Zeran more completely assembled, and it is expected that they will be completely produced there in the latter half of 1952. The parts of Soviet type heavy vehicle will be produced in Lublin. SHL motorcycle, 125 ccm displacement, is produced at the Ludwik works. This motorcycle is made so poorly that even private individuals have little trouble in buying it. However, only 60% of the needed units are produced. DKW motorcycle has appeared in large numbers. They are available to certain private individuals - the ~~xxx~~ so called "work leaders". The price is more than 12,000 zloty.

BMW motorcycle, 350 ccm displacement, ~~the spare parts~~ for which there is a shortage of <sup>SPARE PARTS -</sup> about 30 %.

The BMW personal automobile can only be ordered by ministries for their higher officers.

"Motoimport" is a division of the Chief Directorate of the CHPM. It <sup>handles</sup> ~~is concerned~~ with foreign vehicles imports. Foreign automobiles such as Fiat 1100, Biat Simca, Citroen, and Packard are numerous in Poland. The UB and MO investigators use the Citroen. The SOS located on Slaskich Powstancow Alle in Wroclaw receives all the ~~import~~ automobiles imported from Czechoslovakia. These automobiles come from ~~the~~ Kudowa - Zdroj. They are "broken in" on the trip from Czechoslovakia to Poland by a group of chauffeurs from the Wroclaw CHPM.

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